GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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RENEW LICENCES FOR DOCTORS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to make mandatory for doctors to renew licences every five years;

(b) if so, the details and reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is also a proposal to make it mandatory that before registering MBBS doctors they have to do practice/work in rural areas for minimum 5 years;

(d) if so, the details in this regard; and

(e) the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) : The Government have received a proposal from the Medical Council of India (M.C.I) for renewal of registration of doctors after every five year linked with attending compulsory Continuing Medical Education.According to M.C.I., the proposal would help them to plan proper medical manpower programme in the country. They have also said that such a renewal of registration after attending compulsory continuing medical education programmes would equip the doctors with the latest knowledge of the subjects in their respective fields to tackle newer problems faced by them in day to day practice.

(c)to(e) The Government have asked the Medical Council of India to examine the feasibility of making it mandatory for fresh medical graduates to serve in rural areas for two years before grant of permanent registration.